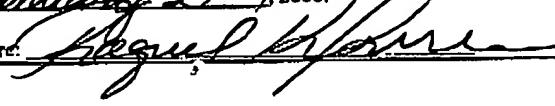


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Dear Sir:

This paper is a Supplemental Response to the Final Office Action issued on March 17, 1999. On July 16, 1999, Applicant submitted a Response to the Final Office Action along with a One-Month Extension of Time. On August 8, 1999, an Advisory Action was issued in reply to Applicant's response. On September 15, 1999, a Notice of Appeal and an additional two month extension of Time were filed, making the deadline to file Applicant's Brief on Appeal or to take other action, November 15, 1999. On October 5, 1999, the Office issued a second Advisory Action.

Concurrently filed herewith is Petition for a Three-Month Extension of time, which extends the deadline for filing a Brief on Appeal or taking other action to February 15, 2000. Accordingly, this Supplemental Amendment and Response is timely filed.